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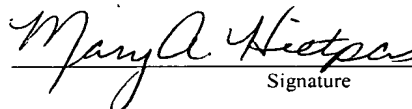
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"PRODUCT TRANSFER SYSTEM AND  
METHOD"

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)**

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Sir:


Applicants respectfully request acceptance of the above-identified application without the participation of Brian Erdmann, a joint inventor, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a).

Applicants are submitting the following in support of this Petition:

- 1) Declaration of Billie Jean Smith setting forth pertinent facts required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a); and
- 2) The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (h).

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